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# Wyoming Crop Weather



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## Week of October 29 – November 4, 2012

**AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY:** Wyoming producers experienced warmer, dry conditions last week.

Lincoln County reported the snow in the low country melted off, which was beneficial for livestock grazing. Farm activities included harvesting corn and sugar beets, and tending to livestock. Across the state, high temperatures ranged from 53 degrees at Lake Yellowstone to 72 degrees in Worland, Midwest, Sheridan, and Torrington. Low temperatures ranged from 15 degrees in Shirley Basin to 32 degrees in Cody and Sundance. Minimal precipitation was received as only 5 stations reported some precipitation.

### SOIL MOISTURE SUPPLIES

Topsoil	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Yr Avg
Very Short	34	35	4	8
Short	42	39	26	26
Adequate	24	26	66	64
Surplus	0	0	4	2

**FIELD CROP REPORT:** Topsoil moisture decreased slightly last week to 76 percent short to very short and 24 percent adequate. Dry conditions allowed for 6.1 days of fieldwork. Corn and sugar beet harvest have progressed ahead of previous years. Corn harvest is 69 percent complete and sugar beet harvest is 97 percent complete. Wheat condition was rated 35 percent poor to very poor, 36 percent fair and 29 percent good; 36 percent of the wheat crop is reported to have light wind damage, and none of the crop is reported to have freeze damage thus far.

### CROP CONDITION TABLE

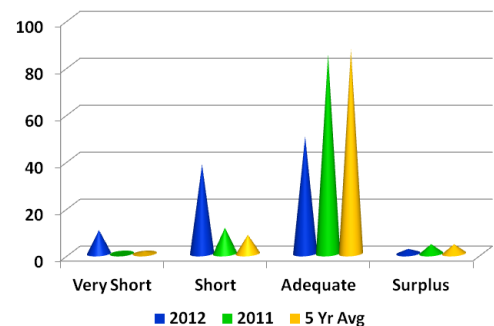
Item	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excel
Winter Wheat	7	28	36	29	0

### CROP PROGRESS TABLE

	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Yr Avg
Corn Harvested	69	58	56	38
Sugarbeets Harvested	97	91	91	85
Alfalfa 3rd Cutting	85	84	88	89

### Hay and Roughage Supply

November 4, 2012



**LIVESTOCK REPORT:** Cattle condition was rated 10 percent poor to very poor, 28 percent fair, and 62 percent good to excellent. Calves condition was rated 5 percent poor to very poor, 25 percent fair, and 70 percent good to excellent. Sheep condition was rated 3 percent poor, 27 percent fair, and 70 percent good to excellent. Lambs condition was rated 3 percent poor, 21 percent fair, and 76 percent good to excellent. Hay and roughage supplies were rated 48 percent short to very short, 50 percent adequate, and 2 percent surplus.

### HAY AND ROUGHAGE SUPPLIES

	This Week	As of 10/21	Last Year	5-Yr Avg
Very Short	10	10	0	1
Short	38	45	11	8
Adequate	50	44	85	87
Surplus	2	1	4	4

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**WEATHER SUMMARY:** Average temperatures ranged from 36 degrees at Lake Yellowstone to 53 degrees in Cody. Temperatures were above normal at all stations. Cody and Sundance reported temperatures 14 degrees above normal. Lake Yellowstone received the most precipitation at 0.30 inches, followed by Sundance at 0.11, Afton at 0.07, Jackson Hole at 0.04 and Powell at 0.02. Thirty-two stations are reporting precipitation more than 2 inches behind normal for the year.

Weather Data for the Week Ending November 4, 2012 <sup>1/</sup>

	Weekly Air Temperature				Weekly Precipitation			Since Jan 1 Precipitation	
	Hi	Lo	Avg	DFN	Total Inches	Normal Inches	DFN	Total Inches	DFN
<b>District 1</b>									
Cody	66	32	53	14	0	0.14	-0.14	3.33	-6.80
Dubois	66	26	44	10	0	0.13	-0.13	6.19	-2.61
Greybull	70	24	48	12	0	0.12	-0.12	2.40	-4.53
Jeffrey City	65	18	44	10	0	0.19	-0.19	3.67	-6.04
Lake Yellowstone	53	21	36	10	0.30	0.35	-0.05	18.29	1.03
Lander	66	30	49	12	0	0.28	-0.28	5.76	-6.26
Powell	67	20	47	11	0.02	0.07	-0.05	3.89	-2.77
Riverton	66	27	49	13	0	0.12	-0.12	2.6	-4.76
Worland	72	24	48	9	0	0.14	-0.14	2.39	-5.04
<b>District 2</b>									
Big Horn	71	27	47	11	0	0.25	-0.25	11.19	-2.22
Buffalo-Johnson	67	30	50	13	0	0.14	-0.14	8.53	-4.09
Gillette	69	26	48	12	0	0.28	-0.28	8.82	-6.50
Midwest	72	23	48	11	0	0.21	-0.21	6.52	-6.00
Newcastle	68	29	48	10	0	0.23	-0.23	9.02	-5.89
Sheridan	72	24	48	10	0	0.21	-0.21	7.98	-5.42
Sundance	69	32	50	14	0.11	0.30	-0.19	13.64	-3.67
<b>District 3</b>									
Afton	62	23	40	8	0.07	0.34	-0.27	11.26	-4.18
Big Piney	62	16	41	11	0	0.12	-0.12	3.11	-3.69
Evanston	65	30	47	13	0	0.21	-0.21	4.94	-5.23
Jackson Hole	63	19	42	10	0.04	0.41	-0.37	8.76	-8.43
<b>District 4</b>									
Casper	67	19	49	12	0	0.21	-0.21	7.36	-4.38
Laramie	60	23	43	9	0	0.18	-0.18	5.32	-5.09
Rawlins	63	22	47	10	0	0.19	-0.19	3.97	-4.78
Rock Springs	64	28	47	13	0	0.17	-0.17	3.32	-5.03
Shirley Basin	65	15	38	11	0	0.14	-0.14	7.21	-2.23
<b>District 5</b>									
Buford	66	26	46	13	0	0.2	-0.20	9.71	-4.22
Cheyenne	65	27	48	11	0	0.14	-0.14	8.91	-5.54
Chugwater	68	26	48	10	0	0.19	-0.19	7.86	-6.65
Douglas	69	24	48	10	0	0.19	-0.19	4.82	-6.79
Lance Creek	68	23	46	7	0	0.18	-0.18	5.76	-6.86
Old Fort Laramie	70	19	44	6	0	0.14	-0.14	6.29	-6.16
Torrington	72	26	50	11	0	0.14	-0.14	6.78	-6.23
Wheatland	68	24	48	5	0	0.14	-0.14	6.32	-6.02

<sup>1/</sup> Summary based on NWS data. DFN=Departure from Normal. Precipitation (rain or melted snow/ice) in inches. Air Temperatures in Degrees Fahrenheit. Weather data prepared by AWIS, Inc. For more weather information visit [www.awis.com](http://www.awis.com) or call 1-888-798-9955